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S. KOREA/ECONOMY

WORKERS' STRUGGLES CONTINUE IN SOUTH KOREA

SK300532 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0354 GMT 30 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 30 (KCNA)--South Korean workers are continuously expanding their struggle for the right to existence and democracy, according to reports.

From 8 a.m. April 28, over 900 workers of the Taeyang Metal Company Ltd. in Kangdong District, Seoul, put up a five-point demand including a 40 per cent wage raise, payment of 400 per cent bonus and expulsion of "government"-sanctioned trade union boss of the company and staged a sit-down demanding the company side to comply with it at once.

More than 500 workers of the Tongyang machine, an automobile accessories factory in Yongdungpo District, Seoul, gathered in the yard in front of the factory and boycotted work from noon that day and staged a sit-down demanding a 40 per cent wage hike and the annual payment of 400 per cent bonus as the factory side promised.

The workers continued the sit-down, saying that they would enter in an all night sit-down and resort to violent methods including the closing of the factory in case their demand was not met.

The workers of footwear manufacturing enterprises in Pusan demanded a wage raise up to 60 per cent.

The workers denounced the employers for not paying a bonus as they promised and warned that they would launch a more powerful struggle in case their demand was turned down.

Over 80 scavengers in Mokpo City, South Cholla Province, put up a seven-point demand including higher wages and rose in collective struggle on April 28.

They demanded the city authorities to conclude a collective agreement and reinstate dismissed workers.

About 100 small poultry breeders in Chung-myon in Koyang County, Kyonggi Province, gathered in the Sajik park in Seoul that day and staged a sit-down

demonstration, demanding the puppet authorities to discontinue the application of the socalled "law on chicken raising."

Under this "law" chickens raised by them went only to speculators to line the pocket of a few profiteers. They denounced the authorities for having trumped up the "law."

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ECONOMIC CIRCLES WANT TO REFORM BUSINESS ORDER

Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 22 Mar 80 p 4

[Text]

Economic circles' efforts to reorient business order have become more striking these days than ever before. They are largely interpreted as efforts to meet effectively the rapidly changing economic conditions at home and abroad.

In every way, the recent friction between two giant businesses that have been continuously competing for hegemony is undesirable. The general symptoms these days, however, can be translated into the fact that the nation's business circles are in an earnest process of reforming themselves by getting rid of undesirable and ineffective old ways of doing business.

Economic organizations are heading nowadays toward a sort of painful but inevitable labor to adapt themselves efficiently to the expected new political, economic and social order in the 1980s.

Their labor is primarily two-fold; First, they are trying to regain their roles as independent and genuine interest groups from the current semi-government and semi-private organizations. Second, they are seeking autonomous relations between labor and management.

The four major economic organizations — the Korea Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Federation of Korean Industries, the Korean Traders Association and the Korea Federation of Small Business — have reacted strongly to the drastic economic decisions by the government enforced early this year such as the Jan. 12 won-currency devaluation and the Jan. 29 oil price raise.

In the past their responses to great government economic decisions were almost stereotyped. "We generally welcome the government measures this time, but want it to supplement such and such points."

As to the drastic measures early this year, however, this was not the case.

They seriously opposed the measures, interest rate raises in particular. The opposition was very real and aggressive indeed.

Getting far out of the habitual way they had persuaded their member companies to accept government decisions under invisible pressure from the government, they demonstrated their personalities as interest and pressure groups.

The "chronology" of their turnabout from their past roles and attitudes as private-level economic organizations in name but as government-guided ones in fact can be outlined as follows.

First, the heads of the organizations visited both the ruling and opposition parties early this year and discussed current economic issues, though on a protocol basis.

Second, the problem of bringing out into the open sources of political funds has been raised realistically.

Third, they are pressing for the enactment of an ethical charter for businessmen.

Fourth, they expressed willingness to meet the head of the opposition New Democratic Party after they met Kim Jong-pil, head of the ruling Democratic Republican Party.

Shortly before and after the Jan. 12 measures, the heads of the four major economic organizations frequented Chong Wa Dae, and the offices of the prime minister and deputy premier. This is a clear indication that they are trying to reorganize the structure of economic circles in line with the new political, economic and social order that is just coming into being.

It is understandable that the member companies of the four organizations are applying pressure behind the scenes.

The organizations have been operated by all but hypodermic-injection instructions from the government in terms of administration, though they have been financed totally by member companies.

The voices of the member companies are becoming louder and louder these days.

The extraordinary general meeting of the Korea Federation of Small Businesses late last month elected the federation's president through voting, for the first time in 20 years.

The member companies of the KTA also harshly criticized the alleged arbitrary use of the special account fund of the association collected from importers.

One of the recent developments in favor of employees is the trend toward more autonomy for workers. In line with this situation, economic circles are paying more attention to the relationship between labor and management.

The two basic goals of businesses are profits and distribution of the profits. However, for the last decade or so many businessmen have somewhat neglected their interest in the latter goal. The situation has conspicuously changed today, though.

The current government has made it clear that it intends to reduce its involvement in labor-management affairs. It is thus urging the businesses to realign their labor-management relations on a more autonomous basis.

The problems of how to distribute profits reasonably has become a major issue for businesses that may well affect their success or failure.

The current conditions call upon businesses to make more earnest efforts to improve working conditions, and income for their workers.

In this context employers' major concerns will include rational management of labor, improvement of welfare facilities for their employees and construction of channels for sound dialogue.

S. KOREA/ECONOMY

BRIEFS

HYUNDAI-MITSUBISHI TIE-UP BROKEN--Seoul April 16 OP-KYODO--South Korea's Hyundai International Inc. has broken off its technological tie-up with the Mitsubishi Electric Co. of Japan. Over the past 10 years, Hyundai has produced automobile generators and several other kinds of auto parts with the Japanese firms technological assistance. Hyundai has developed enough technology to date on its own, and ended its ties with Mitsubishi to boost the localisation of auto parts production, business sources here said Wednesday. [Text] Tokyo KYODO in English Time not given 16 Apr 80 OW]

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CONSTRUCTION EXPORTS—The nation marked only \$880 million in construction exports awarded from overseas during the first quarter of the year, which is a 30 percent decline from the same period of last year, according to the authorities concerned. The sluggish construction export performance is a warning of hardships in achieving the nation's total target of \$6,000 million this year. Local contractors' lagging behind in international competition is attributed to a major setback behind poor construction export performances. In particular, the Hyundai Construction Co., mainstay of Korean construction exports, has shown a poor performance so far this year. The government side, under these circumstances, is expected to come up with a drastic step to get construction exports onto a normal track. [Text] [Seoul THE KOREA TIMES in English 6 Apr 80 p 7]

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S. KOREA/BIOGRAPHICS

ROK RESHUFFLES DIPLOMATIC ASSIGNMENTS

Ranking Foreign Service Officials

SK281132 Seoul HAPTONG in English 0810 GMT 28 Apr 80 SK

[Text] Seoul, 28 Apr (HAPTONG)--Yun Ha-chong, ambassador to Sweden, and Sim Myong-won, consul general in Honolulu, were reassigned to head the embassies in Australia and Austria, respectively, today.

In a personnel reshuffle affecting 18 ranking foreign service officials, No Chas-won, director of the Foreign Ministry's International Commercial Affairs Bureau, was promoted to the rank of a minister and appointed to become the chief of the ministry's Planning and Management Office.

Kang Yong-kyu, ambassador to the Philippines, was shifted to be ambassador to Sweden, Song Kwang-chong, ambassador-at-large, to be envoy to the Philippines in succession to Kang.

Yi Nam-ki, ambassador to Guatemala, was made to head the embassy in Uruguay, and Pak Young, envoy to the Central African Republic, was named to direct the embassy in Turkey, according to the ministry announcement.

Other appointments include:

--Hong Ho-ul, ambassador-at-large, to be consul general in Honolulu.

--Chong U-yong, chief of the Planning and Management Office, to be ambassador to Morocco.

--Yi Chong-op, director of the African Affairs Bureau, to be ambassador to Zaire.

--Pak Ho-su, minister at the mission in Geneva, to be ambassador to the Central African Republic.

--Mun Chol-sun, ambassador to Turkey, to be ambassador-at-large.

- Yi Taek-kun, ambassador to Morocco, to be ambassador-at-large.
- O Yun-kyong, ambassador to Uruguay, to be ambassador-at-large.
- Sin Ki-hum, ambassador to Zaire, to be ambassador-at-large.
- Kim Chong-hun, director of the Foreign News and Documents Bureau, to be director of the International Commercial Affairs Bureau.
- Chang Myong-kwan, a councillor, to be director of the African Affairs Bureau.
- Mun Chang-hwa, counselor at the embassy in the United States, to be director of the Foreign News and Documents Bureau.

Additional Diplomatic Transfers

SK300319 Seoul HAPTONG in English 0258 GMT 30 Apr 80 SK

[Text] Seoul, 30 Apr (HAPTONG)—The government today announced a reshuffle of nine ranking diplomats, assigning O Chae-hui, currently minister at the Korean Embassy in Tokyo, to Washington.

The announcement said Minister Yi Kye-chol to the U.N. was appointed as director of the Foreign Ministry's American Affairs Bureau to replace Yu Chong-ha who was assigned to London as minister at the Korean Embassy there.

Treaties Bureau chief Pak Chu-kil was named as Minister Li's replacement at the U.N. while Yi Sang-chin, director of the European Affairs Bureau, will succeed O Chae-hui as minister to Japan, according to the Foreign Ministry.

In other changes, Information and Cultural Affairs Bureau head Kang Tae-wan was assigned to replace Han Ki-mu as consul general in Vancouver, Canada. Han was called home along with Minister O Myong-ho in Washington and Minister Chang Kui-nam in London, all assigned to the ministry's Institute of Foreign Affairs and National Security.

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N. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

'TONG-IL ILBO': INTENSE POWER STRUGGLE EXISTS WITHIN NORTH KOREA HIERARCHY

Seoul SEOUL KYONGJE SINMUN in Korean 2 Apr 80 p 2

[Seoul U.S. Embassy Translation]

[Excerpt] TOKYO (OP)--An unprecedentedly intense power struggle has been developing between hardliners centering around NK Defense Minister O Chin-u and moderates supporting NK Vice president Pak Song-ch'ol, the Tong-il-ilbo reported on Apr 1.

The paper, published in the Japanese language for Korean residents in Japan, quoted a prominent personality, who had just returned from a visit to P'yongyang. The source said that the hawks were adamant about the need to intensify tension with south Korea in order to gain control over the party, military and the government of north Korea and have Kim Chong-il, son of Kim Il-song, succeed to power.

On the other hand, the doves are attempting to counterattack the hardliners by pushing ahead with the inter-Korean talks and implementing economic construction under the leadership of Kim Il, another north Korean vice president, the paper further said.

Kim Il-song appears to be siding with the hardliners in the power struggle between the two rival groups but there is the possibility that he may switch to the moderates side, depending on what attitudes the Soviet Union and the PRC will take, the Japanese-language Korean daily reported.

The paper further said that it still could not be predicted what direction the longstanding power struggle would take. The paper added that it was concerned whether the power struggle might not directly affect the working-level contact between north and south Korea currently under way at P'anmunjom to realize the prime ministers' talks.

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CHANGES IN STATE ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL NOTED

Seoul VANTAGE POINT in English Vol 3, No 3, Mar 80 pp 20-24

[Text]

When north Korea's Socialist Constitution gave birth to the Administration Council in December, 1972 as a sheer administrative branch to implement policies and plans drawn by the Party or the Central People's Committee, the premier heading the council was armed with six deputy premiers, seven commissions and 15 ministries. (See Table 1) Five years later - in December, 1977, the organization was in a different shape: it had six more ministries with the same number of deputy premiers and commissions. The change, however, was more complex than the mere number indicated. (See Table 2) The reshuffle included the abolition of two commissions and three ministries, establishment of three new commissions and eight ministries, elevation of one ministry to the status of commission, and downgrading of two commissions to that of ministry.

Pyongyang reshaped the Administration Council again during the ensuing two years, 1978 and 1979, which were the first two years of the second seven-year economic plan (1978-1984). In the change, the number of deputy premiers increased by three to nine and that of commissions and ministries to eight and 28, respectively. Instead of abolishing one ministry and lowering one commission to the ministry level, the council introduced nine new ministries and elevated the status of two ministries to that of commission. (See Table 3)

Though Tables 2 and 3 are a superficial sketch of the changes, they reveal, upon close examination, some changing aspects of north Korea's economy. Some organs declared "abolished" were not actually discontinued but reorganized into ministries or commissions, while the functions of other "abolished" ministries or commissions were absorbed into others. The nature of those ministries and commissions which were newly established or whose status was elevated or down, also indicative of the changing aspects of the economy.

Together with the enlargement of the administrative machinery, the ascending of many technocrats has been notable in local administration which was dominated by "revolutionary" members of the Party. When Kim Il-sung started his second term as President in December, 1977, he seemed to have decided to employ a good number of technocrats who are usually more competent than the

revolutionaries in practical work, to make up for the failure in the six-year economic plan (1971-1976). He picked for premiership Lee Jong-ok who was not on the list of the 55 candidate members of the Party Central Committee as reshuffled in the fifth Party Congress held in November, 1970.

All the nine deputy premiers and most ministers as well as commission chairmen are believed to hold one position or another in the Party. Premier Lee is now a member of the powerful Party Political Committee. But north Korea watchers in Seoul are reluctant to list those north Korean dignitaries as Party men but as technocrats. Their relationship with the Party has little to do with their "revolutionary struggle" but with their competence in practical work. All agencies but one commission and three ministries are engaged in economic or economy-related activities. (See Table 4) Few of them, including People's Armed Forces Minister Oh Jin-u and Public Security Minister Choe Wom-ik, are excluded from the category of technocrats.

(Table 1)

List of the Commissions and Ministries as of December, 1972

Commission of State Planning
Ministry of People's Armed Forces
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Ministry of Public Security
Commission of Heavy Industry
Commission of Machine Industry
Ministry of Ship Machine Industry
Commission of Light Industry
Ministry of Chemical Industry
Commission of Agriculture
Commission of Transportation and Communications
Ministry of Fisheries
Ministry of Building Materials Industry
Commission of People's Service
Ministry of Education
Ministry of Culture and Art
Ministry of Finance
Ministry of Foreign Trade
Ministry of External Economic Affairs and Science
Ministry of Propaganda
Ministry of Labor Administration
Ministry of Health

(Table 2)

Changes Made in December, 1977

Abolished:	Commission of Heavy Industry Commission of Transportation and Communications Ministry of Ship Machine Industry Ministry of External Economic Affairs and Science Ministry of Propaganda
Established:	Commission of Mining Industry Ministry of Metal Industry Ministry of Power Industry Ministry of Construction Commission of State Construction Ministry of Railway Ministry of Land and Sea Transportation Ministry of Communications Ministry of Materials Supply Ministry of External Economic Affairs Commission of Science and Technology
Elevation of Status to Commission from Ministry:	Ministry of Education
Lowering of Status from Commission to Ministry:	Commission of Machine Industry Commission of Light Industry

(Table 3)

Changes Made in 1978, 1979 and 1980

Abolished:	Ministry of Machine Industry
Established:	Ministry of Coal Mining (Jan. 1980) Ministry of First Machine Industry (Feb. 1979) Ministry of Second Machine Industry (Feb. 1979) Ministry of Third Machine Industry (Feb. 1979) Ministry of Fourth Machine Industry (Feb. 1979) Ministry of Forestry (Jan. 1980) Ministry of Resources Development (Sept. 1978) Ministry of Land Management (Nov. 1978) Ministry of Urban Administration (Nov. 1978)
Elevation of Status from Ministry to Commission:	Ministry of Light Industry (Nov. 1978) Ministry of Fisheries (Oct. 1978)

**Lowering of Status from Commission to Ministry:
Commission of Mining Industry (Jan. 1980)**

- * The months in parentheses are what Pyongyang media reported at the time of the change.

(Table 4)

Commissions and Ministries as of February, 1980

Ministry of People's Armed Forces
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Ministry of Public Security
State Planning Commission
Agricultural Commission
Ministry of Mining Industry
Ministry of Metal Industry
Ministry of Coal Industry
Ministry of Power Industry
Ministry of the First Machine Industry
Ministry of the Second Machine Industry
Ministry of the Third Machine Industry
Ministry of the Fourth Machine Industry
Ministry of Chemical Industry
Ministry of Construction
State Construction Commission
Ministry of Construction Material Industry
Ministry of Forestry
Light Industry Commission
Ministry of Railway
Ministry of Land and Sea Transportation
Fisheries Commission
People's Service Commission
Education Commission
Ministry of Material Supply
Ministry of Communications
Ministry of Culture and Arts
Ministry of Finance
Ministry of Foreign Trade
Ministry of External Economic Affairs
Ministry of Labor Administration
State Science Commission
Ministry of Health
Ministry of Resources Development
Ministry of Land Management
Ministry of Urban Administration

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'NODONG SINMUN' PUBLISHES ARTICLES ON KIM CHONG-IL

Seoul VANTAGE POINT in English Vol 3, No 3, Mar 80 pp 19-20

[Text] Three major articles in NODONG SINMUN, organ of the north Korean Workers' (Communist) Party, on February 14, one day before the 40th birthday anniversary of President Kim Il-sung's son Chong-il, concerned the cementing of the young Kim's position as successor to his father. They were followed by an article about the "great leader Comrade Kim Il-sung," placed in the lower half of Page 2.

It is unusual for the paper to put an article about President Kim after others, except editorials.

The three articles were an editorial titled "Let Us Glorify Our Party's Proud History With Great Achievements," a report introducing the Anju Area Mining Enterprise, and a story on the relief of lighthouse keepers on Chamae Island. The fourth article covered a forum held to mark the 10th anniversary of Kim's presentation of his two works, "Education and Literary Arts Should Contribute to Establishing the People's Revolutionary World View" and "Some Problems on Succeeding the National Cultural Heritage."

The editorial strongly called for Party members' loyalty to the junior Kim. It said, "We should firmly establish revolutionary morale and discipline under which the whole Party uniformly moves in accordance with the intent of the Party Center..."

The second article praised the junior Kim's leadership, citing the merit of the "speed war," a hard-work campaign which was reportedly proposed by the young Kim. "All workers of the mining enterprise...are striving to advance the speed war to greet the sixth Party Congress with a great political zeal and glorious achievements," said the article.

The third article, titled "New Legend of Chamae Island," was designed to propel the personality cult of the junior Kim. "An order came from the Party Center to save Comrade Li Chun-ok," said the article. It indicated that the junior Kim is so benevolent that he used troops of the air force and navy as well as medical teams in saving the lighthouse keeper when "a danger of war hung over the peninsula--in August, 1976."

The paper's reports on the junior Kim's birthday anniversary led many north Korea watchers in Seoul to believe that the sixth Party congress slated for October would formalize his heirship. For them the remaining question is how the Party will spell out the young Kim's position. Some observers say the party congress may write his name into the Party constitution; the question of revising the party constitution is reportedly on the agenda prepared for the October congress.

Other observers view that the young Kim may take over his father's power of controlling the Party secretaries, while the elder Kim retains his position as chairman of the Party Central Committee and of the Party Political Committee. "As long as his father stays in those positions, the young Kim will be able to control the Workers' Party in the capacity of first or chief secretary of the Party," says a north Korea watcher.

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APRIL 'KULLOJA' TABLE OF CONTENTS ANNOUNCED

Pyongyang NODONG SINMUN in Korean 10 Apr 80 p 4

[Text] The April issue of KULLOJA, the political-theoretical journal of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers Party has been published. The contents of the journal are as follows:

The Immense Pride and Confidence of Our People Who Are Working for the Great Revolutionary Cause of Chuche

Our Great Leader's Immortal Revolutionary History Will Illuminate the Century

The Leadership of Our Chuche Created by Our Great Leader.....Cho Se-ung

Loyalty to Our Great Leader Is the Lofty Ideomental Trait of the Chuche-Oriented Revolutionary.....Kim Si-hak

On the Revolutionary Hymn "Korean Star".....Yi Myon-sang

Indoctrination in Revolutionary Tradition Is Powerful Means of Revolutionizing and Communizing People.....Kim Yang-che

Carrying out Our Great Leader's Nature Rebuilding Plan Is an Honorable Project for the Prosperity of Our Posterity for Ten Thousand Generations.....Hong Si-hak

Historical Experience of Socialization of Private Commerce and Industry in Our Country.....Kim Ch'ol-sik

Immortal Chuche Ideology Is a Great Banner for the Independent Unification of the Fatherland.....Han Ung-sik

To Proceed to the Road of Independence Is the Fundamental Attitude of Our Age.....Kim Ch'ung-il

N. KOREA/POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

BRIEFS

KIM CHONG-IL--Seoul, 18 Apr (KYODO)--Kim Chong-il will not be named to succeed his father, the present North Korean President Kim Il-song before the year ends, a North Korean newsmen said Friday. The North Korean journalist made the remark in reply to a question raised by South Korean newsmen covering the North-South Korean talks in the Panmunjon truce village Friday. The North Korean newsmen said he did not think the nomination ceremony would be held soon because Kim Il-song was not yet 70, the age at which the North Korean people feel they should retire from public functions. Kim Il-song became 68 Tuesday. The North Korean people are beginning to call Kim Chong-il beloved leader Kim instead of North Korean Workers' Party leader. Thus the North Korean journalist indicated that Kim Chong-il is already recognized as one of the leading figures of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. Western diplomatic observers earlier speculated that North Korean party leadership might hold a ceremony to nominate the president's son as the actual successor to Kim Il-song at the North Korean Workers' Party congress to be convened in October for the first time in 10 years. [Text] [Tokyo KYODO in English no time given 18 Apr 80 OW]

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N. KOREA/ECONOMY

KIM IL-SONG THANKS FIRMS FOR PLAN FULFILLMENT

SK230920 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0806 GMT 23 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 23 (KCNA)--Working people in all fields of the national economy overfulfilled the nation's plan for the first quarter of the year and continue advancing vigorously, intensifying their drive for increased production.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, upon receiving the report on the results of the fulfilment of the national economic plan for the first quarter, sent thanks to the Central District, Pyongyang; Taehung County, South Pyongan Province; Taechon County, North Pyongan Province; Changyon County, South Hwanghae Province; Sinhung County, South Hamgyong Province; and other counties and districts which had set examples in carrying out the plan.

He also extended thanks to the Pyongyang thermal power plant, the Anju district coal mining complex, the November 8 mine, the Mangyongdae machine plant, the Ponghwa chemical factory, the Sariwon textile mill, the Nampho fisheries station, the Sunchon pharmaceutical factory, the Nimyongsu railway station, the Hamhung railway construction corps and many other industrial establishments which had exemplarily fulfilled their first quarterly assignments.

In all fields of the national economy, production was normalized on a high level from the beginning of the year on the basis of the economic wherewithal already obtained and a new advance was made in introducing precision, large-size and high-speed machine equipment and mechanising and automating production through a dynamic technical innovation movement.

With the first quarterly plan of this year successfully fulfilled in all fields of the national economy and an advance made in the technical development, a more solid guarantee has been created to expedite production and construction and successfully realise the chuche-orientation, modernisation and scientification of the national economy.

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N. KOREA/ECONOMY

VARIOUS MINISTRIES PRAISE JANUARY PRODUCTION QUOTAS

Pyongyang THE PYONGYANG TIMES in English 9 Feb 80 p 3

[Article by Kim Su-son: "To Meet the Sixth Party Congress with Splendid Labor Achievements--January Targets Hit with Success in Different Branches of National Economy"]

[Text] In October this year the historic Sixth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea will be held in our country. All the workers and three-revolution team crew are now up as one to greet the Party Congress with high political zeal and splendid labour achievements. With this in view they are chalking up great results in the country's economic construction.

In his New Year Address, the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"All the Party members and working people must display unbounded loyalty to the Party and the revolution and high revolutionary enthusiasm to make the whole country seethe with political elation and to effect a new change on all fronts of socialist construction."

Highly inspired by the great leader's New Year Address the Commissions and Ministries of the Administration Council pushed ahead with a drive for increased production from the outset of the year and successfully fulfilled their January plans for production.

Ministries of Coal Industry and Mining Industry

Both of these ministries honored their January quotas.

The workers of coal and ore mines in various parts of the country, giving definite priority to removal of overburden and tunnelling, launched a vigorous struggle to carry through the Party's policy for extracting, transporting and processing a great deal by enlarging and modernizing mining equipment and continuously stepping up the overall mechanization of operations in the pits.

With ample mining conditions created in this course, the Anju Coal Mining Complex carried out the monthly plan ahead of time. Notably, the Kumya

Youth Coal Mine creditably recorded a 120 percent fulfillment of its monthly coal production assignment on January 20.

Ore miners handled modern and efficient mining facilities with utmost care and boosted up production, boldly tackling their jobs.

Ministries of Metalworking Industry and Power Industry

The January target was topped respectively by these two ministries.

The Ministry of Metal-working Industry, in particular, worked hard to augment the output of pig iron, steel and rolled steel and brought about great innovatory results.

The workers of the Kangson Steel Complex established a new record in the production of steel and rolled steel through scrupulous management of equipment and technical affairs and active introduction of advanced working methods. The Kim Chaek Iron and Steel Works won a great success in pig iron production.

Thermal and hydroelectric power stations put stress on the management of equipment and technical affairs and admirably beat the target of power production daily and in each ten-day period.

Noteworthy is that the Pyongyang Thermal Power Plant and many other power stations explored much reserve for increasing the capacity of generating apparatuses and applied it in production without delay.

Ministries of Engineering Industry No. 1 & No. 3

These ministries were also placed on the list of the January target hitters.

The First Ministry of Engineering Industry gained successes in its endeavour to manufacture various up-to-date machines and equipment of better quality at a faster tempo, which are necessary for the modernization of the national economy.

In particular, the April 3 Factory and other machine tool factories launched an effective campaign to turn out a wide range of machine tools.

In heavy machine factories and electrical machinery plants the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance was highly displayed to produce latest types of machines and installations and electric machinery.

The Kumsong Tractor Plant, Sungri General Motor Works and Haeju Trailer Farm Machine Factory under the Third Ministry of Engineering Industry produced many highly-efficient and convenient farm machines such as tractors, heavy-duty trucks and machines for rice and humus-pot maize seedling transplanting.

Commissions for Light Industry and Public Service

The first monthly plan was fulfilled with credit by these commissions.

While the plan was fulfilled, the output of fabrics, thread, knitwear, underwear and other daily necessities and foodstuffs was upped by light industry factories and enterprises.

Various textile mills including the Pyongyang Textile Combine, Hamhung Silk Mill and Pakchon Silk Textile Factory boosted production with existing equipment and materials through active exploration of latent reserve.

Meanwhile, local industry factories strove to use raw materials available in localities and improve their technical equipment for themselves. As a result, the production of daily necessities and foodstuffs went up and their quality improved.

Factories and enterprises in the field of public catering service increased the production of processed food and fish, rice-cleaning machines and their accessories as well as trading facilities.

Besides, the January quota was also carried out by the Commission for Fisheries, Ministry of Forestry, General Bureau of Poultry and Stockbreeding, Ministry of Railways, Ministry of Land and Sea Transport, Ministry of Building Materials Industry, Ministry of Resource Development, Ministry of Construction and Ministry of City Administration.

The workers in all sectors of the national economy continue to make energetic endeavors to complete this year's plan before the Sixth Party Congress with a great pride that they fulfilled the January target successfully.

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N. KOREA/ECONOMY

GROWTH OF CHEMICAL FIBER INDUSTRY NOTED

SK291610 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1520 GMT 29 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 29 (KCNA)--Chemical fibre and synthetic resin industry is making a fast progress in Korea.

Last year witnessed a growth of 36 per cent in chemical fibre output and 12 per cent in synthetic resin output as against the previous year.

Far more chemical fibre and synthetic resin were produced in the first quarter of this year than in the corresponding period of last year.

Our organic synthetic industry relying on its own solid raw material bases satisfies the domestic demands for chemical fibre, synthetic resin and other chemical products in peoples living.

Under the Japanese imperialist colonial rule the chemical industry of our country was not worth mentioning and it inclined too heavily on inorganic chemical industry at that.

After the liberation the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song set forth an original policy of building a versatily developed organic chemical industry on the basis of the abundant home resources of power, limestone and anthracite and wisely led the work for its realization.

Our scientists tirelessly conducted their researches even in the flames of the war and in the hard time after the war, this succeeding in making vinalon out of limestone and anthracite. As a result, a modern large-scale vinalon factory was built in a little more than one year and a large-scale vinyl chloride factory also was built in a short time with our own designs, equipment and technique.

With the construction and expansion of synthetic resin industrial bases producing phenol, urea and melamine, etc. the output of chemical fibre and synthetic resin has rapidly increased.

In the period of the six-year plan (1971-1976) the production bases of chemical fibre and synthetic resin were constructed and expanded to reach

50,000 tons respectively in the production capacity of vinalon and vinyl chloride and markedly increased the output of staple fibre and rayon yarn.

In the second seven-year plan period (1978-1984) Korea will reinforce the existing bases of chemical fibre and synthetic resin production and build a new synthetic resin factories. As a result, the production of chemical fibre will increase 1.8 times and synthetic resin 2 times.

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BRIEFS

MEDICAL ESTABLISHMENTS BUILT--Pyongyang April 29--The Democratic People's Republic of Korea is covered with dense networks of medical establishments. In our country, as of the end of 1979, there were 23.3 doctors and 120 hospital beds for every 10,000 people. During the past 10 years the production of prophylactic and therapeutic medicines increased 31.4 times. This enables our people to fully enjoy the benefits of the complete and universal, free medical service system. [SK301253 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1026 GMT 26 Apr 80]

MECHANIZATION OF FARMING--Pyongyang April 29--Kosan-ri, Manpo City, Chagang Province, located in the northern inland of the country, has one of the farms in mountainous areas where farming is well mechanized. It has tens of tractors and lorries, above 250 modern farm machines of 30 odd kinds. The farm has rezoned 100 hectares into fields fit for comprehensive mechanization and placed farming on a scientific and technical basis as demanded by the chuche-based farming method. The yield of maize per hectare there last year was 2 tons more than in other fields. The mechanization level of farm work rising, the grain output has gone up steadily. Over the last decade, the per hectare yield jumped three times in maize and 1.4 times in rice. The farm has set itself the goal of adding over ten kinds of work to the categories of mechanized work this year in which the 6th congress of the Workers' Party of Korea is scheduled. [SK301253 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1528 GMT 29 Apr 80]

MODERNIZED PRODUCTION PROCESSES--Pyongyang April 29--Production is going up in North Pyongan Province through a dynamic technical innovation drive. The province set itself the goal of introducing thousands of technical innovation proposals into production before the sixth congress of the Workers' Party of Korea. Over 1,000 proposals were incorporated already in the first three months of this year. Production processes are being modernized at factories and enterprises in the domain of machine-building industry of the province by manufacturing scores of kinds of new machines while extensively introducing new successes of scientific and technical research into the production of castings and moulds. In the mining industry vigorous endeavours are being made to expedite the comprehensive mechanization of pit operations and equip coal and ore mines with large and modern machines. The textile mills in the province including the Sinuiju and

Kuangs textile mills and local industrial textile mills are producing durable and beautifully coloured fabrics in large quantities by actively introducing new techniques. Several hundreds of technical innovation proposals have been introduced in the local industry this year to increase the production of consumer goods. The province overfulfilled the first quarter plan of this year in the gross value of industrial output. In the first three months and a half of this year the output of major industrial goods including electric power, coal, ore, machines and mass consumption goods showed an increase of 1.1-1.7 times above the same period of last year. [Text] [SK301253 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1020 GMT 29 Apr 80]

MASS PRODUCTION OF TRUCKS--Pyongyang April 26 (KCNA)--The Sungni automobile combine produces 40-ton heavy-duty lorries "Kumsusan" in large number. It was in 1958 that it produced its first 2.5-ton lorry with its own efforts and technique. Now it has turned into a large-scale auto production base of the country comprising a heavy-duty lorry plant, the "Chaju" automobile plant, the "Sungni" automobile plant, a foundry, a forging factory, an electric plant, and so forth. Now the combine produces a great number of lorries of various types including 40-ton, 25-ton and 10-ton lorries. The heavy-duty lorry plant manufactured a test product of the heavy-duty lorry "Kumsusan" last year and began its mass-production this year. It topped its plan for the first quarter of the year by more than 20 per cent. The workers there are resolved to hit the yearly target of auto production within the first half of the year and make a gift of extra products to the sixth congress of the party. [Text] [SK261034 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1008 GMT 26 Apr 80]

CARBIDE KILNS--Pyongyang April 30 (KCNA)--Air-tight carbide kilns are being built at the February 8 vinalon complex. A new kiln has already been built and commissioned. And the finishing touch is being put to other air-tight kilns built in the place where the former open kilns were dismantled. The complex will build another large air-tight kiln and rebuild all the kilns of the first carbide shop into air-tight ones before the sixth congress of the Workers Party of Korea. And, subsequently, all the kilns of the second carbide shop will be completely rebuilt. The building of air-tight kilns is of weighty importance in improving the working conditions at the complex and protecting its environment. Gas and dust are thoroughly filtered through various special processes of the air-tight kilns. The kilns are always clean and need no chimneys. The construction of air-tight carbide kilns will completely free the workers from radiant heat, vibration and noise. [Text] [SK301107 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1002 GMT 30 Apr 80]

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N. KOREA/SOCIAL CONDITIONS

DPRK GIVES PRIORITY TO PUBLIC HEALTH

SK301209 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1044 GMT 30 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 30 (KCNA)--The Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea takes it as the basic principle in public health to give priority to prophylaxis.

A campaign for protecting living and working environment and preventing all diseases through day-to-day hygienic preventive work is conducted as an all-state, all-society work. Primary concern is directed to preventing the peoples health from being affected by diseases in all fields and in all work from the distribution of industries and the building of public facilities to planting roadside trees and designing and making machines.

In particular, the state directs deep attention to preventing pollution. Factories, enterprises and agencies concerned are planting many roadside trees and creating lawns, making sure that the atmosphere, rivers and streams and land are not contaminated by harmful gases and other matters.

They ensure labour protection supplies including nutritives, and the hygiene protection instruments and regularly conduct prophylactic activities so as to thoroughly prevent all industrial diseases.

**In our country prophylactic measures are thoroughly taken by the section-doctor system, an advanced medical service system. Under this system everyone is given systematic preventive medical service. The health of the rising generation is protected by gynaecologists at embryonic time, by pediatricists till 16 years of age after birth and by physicians at adult.
[Sentence as received]**

A section-doctor visits patients in our country before they visit the doctor.

Medicines are brought to working places and homes by medical workers and health check-ups are conducted regularly. A pregnant woman is consulted by a gynaecologist in charge more than 20 times during her pregnancy.

All this patently proves the superiority of the public health system in our country where the prophylactic policy is thoroughly implemented.

N. KOREA/SOCIAL CONDITIONS

HOSPITAL, CLINIC DIRECTORS HOLD NATIONAL MEETING

SK300542 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0452 GMT 30 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 30 (KCNA)--A national meeting of the directors of ri peoples hospitals and clinics was held for three days from April 27 at the peoples palace of culture.

A portrait of the great leader of our party and our people Comrade Kim Il-song was placed on the platform.

Present at the meeting together with directors of ri peoples hospitals and clinics throughout the country were Comrade Hwang Chang-yop, and Pak Myong-pin and Pak Myong Bin and other personages concerned.

A report and speeches were made at the meeting.

The reporter and speakers said that at the historic fifth congress of our party the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song put forward the policy of converting the rural clinics into hospitals, and the policy of conducting a movement for making ri disease-free villages, lit the concrete directions and ways for their realization, and he wisely led our people in their implementation.

They stressed that these policies are wise ones which, by setting up hospitals even in the rural villages, make it possible to bring about a turn in the rural health and hygienic work--preventing diseases, protecting the health and lives of the rural population and eliminating the distinction between town and country in the level of medical services.

Under the leadership and solicitude of the party, a drive for the implementation of these policies, has been vigorously waged on a nation-wide scale, with the result that in 1974 the task of converting the rural ri clinics into hospitals was successfully fulfilled, they noted. They stressed that today this policy is fully displaying its vitality.

Today in the rural districts the prophylactic policy of the party is being thoroughly implemented and the section-doctor system is strengthened, they

pointed out, and said: As a result, measles, scarlet fever, Japanese encephalitis, typhus fever and other epidemics have disappeared.

The number of medical services for the rural population increased 150 percent in 1979 as against 1970, whereas the death rate dropped to one fifth compared with the pre-liberation years and the average life span extended by 35 years to reach 73.

The reporter and speakers emphasized that all the achievements made in the rural health and hygienic work are precisely a precious fruition of the wise leadership and deep solicitude of the great leader and the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea.

They referred to the tasks for developing the rural health and hygienic work onto a higher stage, upholding the teachings given by the great leader at the fourth session of the Sixth Supreme People's Assembly and the public health law.

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N. KOREA/SOCIAL CONDITIONS

BRIEFS

LIFE SPAN DOUBLED--Pyongyang April 26--Since liberation in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea the people's life span has been nearly doubled, whereas their death rate decreased to one fifth under the public health system the average life span of people reached 73 years in 1976, 35 years longer than in the pre-liberation days. In 1979, the death rate for every 1,000 people dropped to 4.4 from 20.8 at the time of the Japanese imperialist colonial rule. A desire of mankind for longevity in good health has come true in our country where all people are living in joy and happiness without any worry. [Text] [SK280904 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1506 GMT 26 Apr 80]

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BRIEFS

NEW STAGE WORKS--Pyongyang April 15--New stage works are performed at theatres in Pyongyang. The Pibada opera troupe is presenting on stage a colourful music and dance program at the Pyongyang Grand Theatre. The men's chorus "On the Road of Struggle Following the General," the dance "We Keep Single Red Heart" and the song and dance and women's chorus "Mangyongdae in Flowers Dear to Our Hearts" represent the ardent loyalty of our people to carry the revolutionary cause of chuche to accomplishment through generations, holding in high esteem the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song who bestowed upon us freedom and happiness. Artists of the Korean Film Studio, the Korean February 8 Film Studio and the Film and Radio Music Company are performing at the theatre of the Pyongyang Moranbong art troupe. At the Pyongyang acrobatic theatre the acrobats are presenting new acrobatic numbers to delight the spectators. Meanwhile, the national performances of workers' art groups, students mobile propaganda squads and school children's art groups are given respectively at the central workers' house, the central hall of the League of the Socialist Working Youth and the theatre of the Pyongyang students and children's palace. The performances powerfully inspire working people to the general march for greeting the sixth congress of the party as a grand festival of victors, instilling into them great honour and pride of making revolution under the guidance of the great leader. [Text] [SK210906 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0942 GMT 15 Apr 80]

FILM WEEK OPENS--Pyongyang April 11--A film week opened on April 10 throughout the country when a vigorous drive is under way to meet the sixth congress of the party with high political enthusiasm and brilliant achievements in labour. During the film week ending April 16, movies showing the wisdom of leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and his noble communist virtues and brilliant revolutionary features and depicting the intense loyalty of our people to attend him in high esteem and follow him to the end of the sky and earth will be screened in the cinemas and houses of culture. Among the movies are the documentary film "Long Life and Good Health to the Great Leader," "The Leader Is Always With Us" and "Mangyongdae" and feature films "An Untrodden Path" (parts one and two) and "Critical Situation," part 10 of "Unknown Heroes." Opening functions were held in the provincial seats, cities and county seats for the film week. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 2208 GMT 10 Apr 80]

SOVIET FILM SHOW--Pyongyang April 11--A film show was held at the Soviet Embassy in Pyongyang on the evening of April 10 on the occasion of the Cosmonaut Day of the Soviet Union. Invited to the film show were Yi Pong-hui and other personages concerned and officials of different embassies. Ambassador G. A. Kriulin and officials of the Soviet Embassy were present. The attendants saw a Soviet film. [Text] [Pyongyang KCNA in English 0346 GMT 11 Apr 80]

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N. KOREA/GEOGRAPHY

REPORT ON DEVELOPMENT OF NEW CITIES IN DPRK

SD281540 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1505 GMT 28 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 28 (KCNA)--A number of places not known in the past have changed their looks into modern cities to be dotted on the map of the constantly prospering and developing Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea.

Among them is Pyongsong, seat of South Pyongan Province, known as a city of science and culture of great potential.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song personally named it "Pyongsong" meaning a satellite city of Pyongyang. It was a small village with the Sainchon stream flowing through it.

Now you find there scientific and cultural institutions, colleges and training centres.

Multi-storeyed flats are standing in row along broad roads which have taken shape, with grand public buildings soaring among them.

The parks laid out in many places of the city are visited by many working people.

In the city there are big plants of central industry along with many local industrial factories producing foodstuffs, fabrics, ironworks, wooden products and chemical products for daily use, toilet articles, embroideries and so forth.

With the development of industry of various branches, new cities have made their appearance on the banks of the Chongchon-gang River in recent years.

Anju which was a rural county seat before liberation is now turned into a young city.

Education and cultural institutions, a theatre, an international hotel and public service facilities stand in good harmony with multi-storeyed flats for coal miners and factory workers.

A park with a pond teeming with fishes has been built at a scenic place of the city.

Huichon and Kusong which were mountainous villages have turned into socialist industrial cities as they became powerful machine-building industrial centres of the country and the Taean workers settlement where the Taean electrical machinery plant is located has changed its appearance as Taean City.

South Chongjin has taken shape on the outskirts of Chongjin to provide the workers of the Kimchaek iron and steel works, a metallurgical giant in the northern region, with a more cultured life.

There are many other such cities in our country.

All the cities of the northern half of the republic have been rebuilt after the war on debris. Therefore, our people regard all cities as prospering "young cities", though their names are as they were.

Besides those new cities on the map, many rural "towns" resembling cities such as Oguk-ri, Anak County, South Hwanghae Province, and Ryongim-ri, Mundok County, South Pyongan Province, have been built.

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N. KOREA/KOREANS IN JAPAN

BRIEFS

CHOSUN UNIVERSITY DELEGATION--Pyongyang April 20--Vice-Premier Kong Chintae on April 19 met and had a talk with the delegation of the Choson University Council headed by Kim Chun-kyu, chief director of the council, in an atmosphere overflowing with compatriotic sentiments. Present on the occasion was personage concerned Han Pyong-hwa. [Text] [SK210906 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0844 GMT 20 Apr 80]

THANKS FOR EDUCATION AID--Tokyo April 24 (KNS-KCNA)--A meeting of Chongnyon educationists, scientists and Korean students studying at Japanese schools for expressing thanks to the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song for the 75th instalment of educational aid fund and stipends sent by him was held on April 21 at the Korean Hall in Tokyo. A portrait of the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song was placed on the platform. The meeting was attended by Yi Chinkyu, vice-chairman of the Central Standing Committee of the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan (Chongnyon), Pak Kwang-taek, chairman of the Union of Korean Teachers in Japan, and other educationists, scientists and Korean students studying at Japanese schools under Chongnyon. A letter to the great leader Marshal Kim Il-song was adopted amid thunderous applause of all the attendants. Chairman Pak Kwang-taek made a report at the meeting to be followed on the rostrum by representatives of educationists, scientists and Korean students studying at Japanese schools expressing their resolution. [Text] [SK260342 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0334 GMT 26 Apr 80]

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

JAPANESE LEGISLATORS FOR KOREAN FRIENDSHIP MEET

SK281202 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1032 GMT 28 Apr 80

[Text] Tokyo April 25 (KNS-KCNA)--The fifth general meeting of the Dietmans League for Promotion of Japan-Korea Friendship was held in Tokyo on April 23.

The meeting was attended by Chairman Chuji Kuno and General Secretary Togo Yoneda of the Dietmans League for Promotion of Japan-Korea Friendship, representative of the Social Democratic Federation Hideo Den, representative of the New Liberal Club Seiichi Takawa and director of the international department of the Japan Socialist Party Tamio Kawakami and other members of the league.

Yun Sang-chol, vice-chairman of the Central Standing Committee of the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan (Chongnyon), was present there as a guest.

Chuji Kuno spoke first at the meeting.

He expressed the determination of the Dietmans League for Promotion of Japan-Korea Friendship to further strengthen the bonds of friendship between the Japanese and Korean peoples and support more strongly the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea in the future.

At the meeting speeches were made by Vice-Chairman Yun Sang-chol, managing director of the Japan-Korea Trade Council Riichiro Aikawa and others.

The meeting approved the action program.

At the meeting Chuji Kuno was reelected chairman of the league.

The meeting elected vice-chairmen and general secretary.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

POLAND'S JABLONSKI REPLIES TO KIM IL-SONG GREETING

SK272211 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2201 GMT 27 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 28 (KCNA)--The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song received a message from Comrade Henryk Jablonski in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on his reelection as president of the State Council of the Polish Peoples Republic.

The reply message reads:

**Comrade Kim Il-song
General Secretary of the Central Committee
Workers Party of Korea
President
Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea
Pyongyang**

I extend my heartfelt thanks to you most esteemed comrade president for your congratulations offered on my reelection as president of the State Council of the Polish Peoples Republic.

I reciprocate your conviction that the traditional relations of fraternal friendship and cooperation between the peoples of our two countries will continue to develop successfully in the interest of the Polish Peoples Republic and the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea and in the interest of the strengthening of the unity of the socialist countries and world peace and security.

**Henryk Jablonski
President of the State Council
Polish Peoples Republic
Warsaw, April 19, 1980.**

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

KIM IL-SONG GREETIS PRESIDENT OF TOGO

8K261700 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1537 GMT 26 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 26 (KCNA)--The great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a message to Gnassingbe Eyadema, chairman-founder of the Togolese People's Rally and president of the Republic of Togo, greeting the 20th anniversary of the independence of Togo.

The message reads:

His Excellency General Gnassingbe Eyadema
Chairman-Founder
Togolese People's Rally
President
Republic of Togo
Lome

On the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the independence of Togo, I extend warmest congratulations and greetings on behalf of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and in my own to your excellency and to the Togolese People's Rally, the government and people of the Republic of Togo.

Under your correct leadership the Togolese people have made a big stride forward in building a new life desired by the people in the land of Togo by waging a vigorous struggle to consolidate national unity and build a prospering independent and sovereign state with a high revolutionary zeal.

The Korean people are sincerely rejoiced over the achievements made by the the fraternal Togolese people and heartily wish you and the Togolese people greater victory in the sacred cause of building the national economy, developing national culture and achieving the complete liberation of Africa.

I am convinced that the excellent relations of friendship and cooperation forged between our two countries will expand and develop further through the common struggle for sovereignty, independence and non-alignment.

Kim Il-song
General Secretary of the Central Committee
Workers Party of Korea
President
Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Pyongyang, April 26, 1980.

N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

YOUTH CENTER FUNDED BY DPRK OPENS IN RWANDA

SK280430 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0350 GMT 28 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 28 (KCNA)--A grand ceremony for the completion of the House of Youth built in Rwanda as a gift of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song was held in Kigali on April 15 on the occasion of his birthday, according to a report.

Placed on the platform were a portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and a portrait of Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana.

On display there were immortal classic works of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song and photographs showing the history of his glorious and brilliant revolutionary activities.

Also exhibited there were photographs showing the brilliant achievements made by our people in the revolution and construction under the wise guidance of the great leader and photographs showing the visit of the Rwandan president of our country.

The ceremony was attended by Rwandan President Juvenal Habyarimana and members of the Central Committee of the National Revolutionary Movement for Development, ministers of the government, officers of the Rwandan Army, provincial and county governors and more than 20,000 people.

Invited there were ambassador and officials of the DPRK Embassy in Kigali, Korean technicians and specialists working in Rwanda and foreign diplomatic envoys and representatives of international organizations.

Participants were holding portraits of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and portraits of President Juvenal Habyarimana.

The president cut a tape hanging in front of the House of Youth and expressed heartfelt thanks to his excellency great leader President Kim Il-song, saying that the ceremony for the completion of the House of Youth built as his gift was held on his significant 68th birthday.

The House of Youth built as a gift of His Excellency President Kim Il-song will remain symbolic of eternal friendship between the Rwandan and Korean peoples, said the president.

The president, accompanied by leading officials, went round to see inside and outside facilities of the House of Youth.

The ceremony was addressed by the minister of youth and sports of Rwanda and the DPRK ambassador.

At the end of the ceremony an art performance was given and a Korean film screened at the theatre of the House of Youth.

The art performance and film were watched by the Rwandan president and participants of the ceremony.

The president planted a tree in the garden of the house in celebration of the birthday of the great leader and of the completion of the House of Youth.

That day the president arranged a banquet.

The participants whole heartedly wished good health and a long life to the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

KWP DELEGATION VISITS MOZAMBIQUE

Delegation Arrives

SK010904 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0844 GMT 1 May 80

[Text] Pyongyang May 1 (KCNA)--A delegation of the Workers Party of Korea [KWP] headed by Comrade Chong Chun-ki, alternate member of the political committee of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea and vice-premier of the administration council, arrived in Maputo on April 24 for a visit to Mozambique, according to a report.

The delegation was met at the airport by Mario Machungo, member of the political committee of the Central Committee of the FRELIMO and minister for planning and agriculture, Julio Zamith Carrilho, member of the Central Committee of the FRELIMO and minister for public works and housing, and other personages concerned.

Present on the occasion were the ambassador and officials of the DPRK Embassy in Mozambique.

That day the delegation left Zimbabwe.

It was seen off at the airport by Simon Muzenda, deputy prime minister and foreign minister of Zimbabwe, the minister of state for the prime ministers office and the minister of information and tourism and other personages concerned.

The ambassador of our country to Zimbabwe was on hand.

Mozambican President Meets Delegation

SK010906 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0848 GMT 1 May 80

[Text] Pyongyang May 1 (KCNA)--Samora Moises Machel, president of the Republic of Mozambique, on April 25 met at the presidential palace the delegation of the Workers Party of Korea headed by Comrade Chong Chun-ki, alternate member of the political committee of the Central Committee of the Workers Party of Korea and vice-premier of the administration council, according to a report.

The head of the delegation conveyed friendly greetings of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the president.

The president inquired after the health of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, expressed deep thanks for his friendly greetings and asked the head of the delegation to convey his heartfelt warm greetings to him.

It is the firm stand of the FRELIMO and Government of Mozambique to extend active support to the reunification of Korea.

He expressed sincere wishes for the good health and long life of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song.

The conversation proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

Present on the occasion were Mario Machungo, member of the political committee of the Central Committee of the FRELIMO and minister for planning and agriculture, and Tsiranga, chief of the organisational department of the Central Committee of the FRELIMO.

The DPRK ambassador to Mozambique was also on hand.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

FRENCH SENATE GROUP VISITS DPRK

Delegation Arrives

SK282241 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2214 GMT 28 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 29 (KCNA)--A delegation of the France-Korea contact and study group for economic and cultural problems organized in the French Senate flew into Pyongyang on April 28.

The delegation headed by Philippe Machefer, senator and chairman of the group, consists of Senators Bernard Lemarie, Raoul Vadepiet, Bernard Hugo, and others.

The delegation was met at the airport by deputies to the Supreme Peoples Assembly Chae Hui-chong, minister of labour administration, Kim Tae-hui, vice-chairman of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, Hong Il-chon, vice-minister of common education, and other personages concerned.

SPA Arranges Banquet

SK290444 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0358 GMT 29 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 29 (KCNA)--The Standing Committee of the Supreme Peoples Assembly arranged a banquet on the evening of April 28 at the peoples palace of culture in honour of the delegation of the France-Korea contact and study group for economic and cultural problems organized in the French Senate.

Invited to the banquet were the members of the delegation headed by Philippe Machefer, senator and chairman of the group.

Present there were deputies to the Supreme Peoples Assembly Chae Hui-chong, minister of labour administration, Kim Tae-hui, vice-chairman of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, Hong Il-chon, vice-minister of common education, and other personages concerned.

Kim Tae-hui spoke first at the banquet.

He said: We think the current visit of the delegation will be an important occasion in further deepening understanding and developing and strengthening the friendly and cooperative relations between the peoples of the two countries.

You are far away from us geographically and there are differences in political view, religious belief and life customs between us. But you organized the France-Korea contact and study group for economic and cultural problems with noted senators of France and are conducting brisk activities to develop the friendly relations between the peoples of our two countries and support the just cause of our people, he said. He expressed deep thanks for this.

Philippe Machefer spoke next.

He noted that they were well aware of the sufferings of the Korean people caused by the division of the country and their desire to reunify the country and live in happiness.

Pointing to the policy of President Kim Il-song for the reunification of Korea, he noted:

It proceeds from the basic principle that one is responsible for ones own destiny and has also the capacity for hewing it out.

Saying that the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea has invariably struggled to defend independence, he stressed: The solution of the Korean question should be an affair of the Koreans themselves.

The banquet passed in a friendly atmosphere.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

FRENCH MAYORS DELEGATION VISITS DPRK

Delegation Arrives

SK282245 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2217 GMT 28 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 29 (KCNA)--A delegation of mayors from different political parties of France arrived in Pyongyang by plane on April 28.

The head of the delegation is Andre Aubry, president of the French action committee to support the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea and mayor of Antony, and its members are mayor of Loirac Denise Pintat, mayor of Haute-Vienne Marcel Rigout, mayor of Chatillon Jacques le Dauphin, mayor of Andresy Jean Francois Thil, deputy mayor of Montlucon Christian Briere, deputy mayor of Montreuil Jean Pierre Brard and deputy mayor of Mureaux Dominique Vastel.

The delegation was met at the airport by Comrade Kim Yong-nam and personages concerned Kim Yong-sun, An Sung-hak and Pak Yong-si.

Banquet for the Delegation

SK290416 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0346 GMT 29 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 29 (KCNA)--A banquet was arranged at the peoples palace of culture on the evening of April 28 in honour of the visiting delegations of mayors from different French political parties.

Invited to the banquet were the members of the delegation headed by Andre Aubry, president of the French action committee to support the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea and mayor of Antony.

Present there were Comrade Kim Yong-nam, and Kim Yong-sun, An Sung-hak, Pak Yong-si and other personages concerned.

Chairman of the Pyongyang municipal administrative committee An Sung-hak spoke first at the banquet.

Pointing out that the French action committee to support the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea, formed with prominent figures of various circles, has actively supported our peoples just cause of reunification, he said: Your just activities firmly supporting our cause touch chord in the hearts of our people and the honest-minded people of the world and are calling forth a big echo internationally.

We express thanks to you for energetically conducting various activities, issuing joint statements and holding solidarity meetings in support of our peoples cause of reunifying the country independently and peacefully without foreign interference, he said.

Andre Aubry spoke next.

Noting that he was deeply moved by the kind invitation and warm hospitality accorded to the delegation, he said: I ask you to convey our thanks to President Kim Il-song.

He pointed out that the delegation of mayors of cities embracing many areas of France came to Korea to contribute to the development of the friendly relations between the peoples of the two countries and to convey the support of broad segments of France to the Korean people aspiring after national reunification.

Saying that a signature campaign for promoting the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea was conducted on a nationwide scale in France in accordance with the resolution of the Rome conference, he stressed that mayors of 98 cities issued a statement in support of the campaign.

Noting that 54 more mayors signed in support of the new measures taken by them prior to the departure of the delegation, he said: We are very gratified with this.

We believe that the current visit will contribute to the allout struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea and to the strengthening of friendship between the peoples of our two countries.

The banquet proceeded in a friendly atmosphere.

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN RELATIONS

BRIEFS

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY GROUP--Pyongyang April 15--Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae on April 14 met and had a friendly talk with the delegation of the World Intellectual Property Organisation headed by P. A. Sviridov, its deputy director general. [Text] [SK210906 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0937 GMT 15 Apr 80]

MINING GROUP ARRIVES--Pyongyang April 15--Benon Strans, president of the organising committee of the Congress of the World Mining Industry, and his entourage on April 14 arrived in Pyongyang by plane. They were met at the airport by Cho Chang-tok and other personages concerned and Polish ambassador to Korea Jerry Pekala. In the evening the Association of Mining Industry of the General Federation of Industrial Technology of Korea feted the president of the organising committee of the CWMI and his entourage. [Text] [SK210906 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0918 GMT 15 Apr 80]

BURUNDI DELEGATION ARRIVES--Pyongyang April 16--A delegation of the Burundi Rwigasore Revolutionary Youth headed by Nzinahora Pasteur, member of the Central Committee of the Party of National Unity and Progress of Burundi, member of the Central Committee of the Burundi Rwigasore Revolutionary Youth and president of the Supreme Court, arrived in Pyongyang on April 15 by air. The delegation was met at the airport by Chi Chae-yong, chairman of the Central Committee of League of Socialist Working Youth, and other personages concerned. The Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth arranged a banquet for the delegation in the evening. [Text] [SK210906 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0834 GMT 16 Apr 80]

INCOMING, OUTGOING DELEGATIONS--Pyongyang April 16--A delegation of our country headed by Song Cha-song left here on April 15 by plane to attend the 21st session of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee and celebrations of the 25th anniversary of the Bandung conference in Indonesia. A delegation of the Kangwon provincial committee of the Korean-Soviet Friendship Society headed by Kim Chong-Hwa also left here yesterday by plane for the Soviet Union. A friendship delegation of the Power Industry of China headed by Li Beng, vice-minister of Power Industry of the People's Republic of China, arrived in Pyongyang by train on April 15. The delegation of the World Intellectual Property Organization headed by its Deputy

Director General F. A. Sviridov left Pyongyang yesterday by plane. [Text] [SK210906 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0916 GMT 16 Apr 80] A delegation of the League of Socialist Working Youth of our country left Pyongyang on April 17 by plane to attend the international seminar marking the 110th anniversary of the birth of V. I. Lenin to be held in the Soviet Union. The delegation of the Korean Central Broadcasting Committee returned home on April 16 by plane after attending the 55th session of the administrative council of the International Radio and Television Organisation held in Czechoslovakia. [Text] [SK210906 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2204 GMT 17 Apr 80]

LEAVING INDIAN AMBASSADOR--Pyongyang April 20--Premier Yi Chong-ok on April 19 met and had a friendly talk with Joseph Thomas Kallukaren, ambassador of the Republic of India to our country, when the latter paid a farewell call on him before leaving for home at the recall of his home government. Present on the occasion were personage concerned Kim Chae-sok and an official of the Indian Embassy. [Text] [SK210906 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1008 GMT 20 Apr 80]

LATIN AMERICAN DELEGATION--Pyongyang April 21--Aristides Rojo, president of the Republic of Panama, on April 9 met the Korea-Latin American friendship delegation headed by Chang Se-kuk on visit to his country, according to a report. The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the president. Expressing deep thanks for the cordial regards, the president asked the head of the delegation to convey his warmest and friendly greetings to the great leader. The president stressed that he would always support the just cause of the Korean people for reunifying the country independently and in a peaceful way under the wise guidance of respected President Kim Il-song. He said the Panamanian Government and people would make energetic efforts in the future, too, to develop friendly relations with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in all fields. The conversation proceeded in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [SK210906 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2206 GMT 20 Apr 80 SK]

CHONGNYON TRADERS--Pyongyang April 29 (KCNA)--Comrade Kye Ung-tae on April 28 met the delegation of Korean traders and industrialists in Japan headed by O In-hwa, advisor to the Tokyo Metropolitan Association of Traders and Industrialists of Chongnyon, and had a talk with it in an atmosphere overflowing with compatriotic sentiments. Personage concerned Kim Chu-yong was on hand. [Text] [SK290402 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0336 GMT 29 Apr 80]

DELEGATIONS RETURN--Pyongyang April 24--The delegation of our country headed by Chi Chang-ik which had attended the European and Mediterranean seminar on the chuche idea held in Malta and the delegation of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea which had attended the international conference commemorating the 110th anniversary of the birth of V. I. Lenin held in the Soviet Union returned home by plane on April 23. [Text] [SK280904 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0345 GMT 24 Apr 80]

JAPANESE DELEGATION LEAVES--Pyongyang April 25--The delegation of the "Society of Independence" of Japan headed by Chikaaki Ani, its permanent secretary, left Pyongyang by train on April 23. The delegation left Chongjin on the next day by the ship "Mangyongbong." While staying in Korea the delegation visited historic Mangyongdae and went round various places of Pyongyang. [Text] [SK280904 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0339 GMT 25 Apr 80]

DELEGATIONS ARRIVE, RETURN--Pyongyang April 26--The movie delegation of our country returned home on April 25 from a visit to the Soviet Union. The first Chinese friendship visiting group headed by Yue Daiheang, vice-director general of the Travel and Tourism Administrative Bureau of China, and a Hokkaido trade union delegation of Japan headed by Hoshio Minami, vice-chairman of the All-Hokkaido Council of Trade Unions of Japan, arrived in Pyongyang Friday. [Text] [SK280904 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0416 GMT 26 Apr 80]

AMBASSADOR TO ALGERIA--Pyongyang April 25--Kim Hui-chun, ambassador of our country to Algeria, paid a farewell call on Mohamed Benahmed Abdelghiani, chairman of the Council of Ministers of Algeria, on April 14, according to a report. The chairman asked the ambassador to convey his cordial regards to the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song. He expressed the conviction that under the wise guidance of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il-song Korea would certainly be reunified and extended full support to the Korean people's struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country. The talk proceeded in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [SK280904 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2206 GMT 24 Apr 80]

INDIAN AMBASSADOR LEAVES--Pyongyang April 27--Joseph Thomas Kallukaren, Indian ambassador to Korea, left Pyongyang by train on April 26 at the recall of his home government. He was seen off at Pyongyang railway station by personages concerned and officials of the Indian Embassy and foreign diplomatic envoys in Pyongyang. [Text] [SK280904 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0836 GMT 27 Apr 80]

DPRK YOUTH DELEGATION--Pyongyang April 27 (KCNA)--A delegation of the League of Socialist Working Youth of Korea headed by Pak Chong-son left Pyongyang on April 26 by plane to attend the second congress of the Federation of Polish Socialist Youth. [Text] [SK270855 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0835 GMT 27 Apr 80]

SOVIET ACTORS GROUP IN PYONGYANG--Pyongyang May 1 (KCNA)--The Soviet actors group gave performances at the Pyongyang Grand Theatre on April 29 and 30. Seeing the performance with working people and artists in the city were Chang Chol, Kim Sang-chun, Cho Yong-chul and other personages concerned. Ambassador F. A. Kriulin and officials of the Soviet Embassy in Pyongyang also saw the performance. The artists put on stage a colourful program of songs, dances, instrumental music and acrobatics depicting the courageous struggle of the Soviet people for the motherland and their industrious and

optimistic life. The women's solos "Song of Lenin" and "Evening of Suburbs of Moscow", the men's solo "The day of Victory" and instrumental music were warmly received by the audience. The men's solo "song of General Kim Il-song" sung in Korean was enthusiastically applauded. The dance "Memory" remembering the fighters who displayed their valour in the fight for driving back the aggression of fascist Germany, the "Russian Dance" and the acrobatic number "Hand Feats" left a deep impression on the audience. At the end of the performance baskets of flowers were presented to the performers. [Text] [SK010912 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0852 GMT 1 May 80]

CULTURE-ARTS MINISTER VISITS THAILAND--Yi Chang-son, visiting minister of culture and arts of the DPRK, will meet Thai Minister of Education Sippanon Kettthi this morning. The Korean minister will be briefed on the Thai educational network by senior education officials. The Korean minister of culture and arts and his party arrived in Bangkok yesterday afternoon for an official week-long visit as guest of the Thai Government. Before leaving Thailand on 6 May, the Korean minister will also visit some historic and cultural sites. [Text] [BK301557 Bangkok Domestic Service in English 0000 GMT 30 Apr 80]

MEETING WITH GUINEA-BISSAU LEADER--Pyongyang April 27 (KCNA)--Luis Cabral, president of the Council of State of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, on April 19 met the Foreign Ministry delegation of our country headed by Roving Ambassador Kim Tal-kuk on a visit to Guinea-Bissau, according to a report. The head of the delegation conveyed cordial regards of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to the president of the Council of State of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau. The president inquired after the health of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song, expressed deep thanks for his cordial regards and asked the head of the delegation to convey his wholehearted greetings to him. The president expressed satisfaction with the favourable development of friendly relations between Guinea-Bissau and Korea and said that he would actively strive for their further development. He stressed that Guinea-Bissau would extend full support as ever to the struggle of the Korean people for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country. The conversation proceeded in a friendly atmosphere. [Text] [SK279093 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0840 GMT 27 Apr 80]

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N. KOREA/FOREIGN TRADE

DELEGATION ATTENDS ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC MEETING IN ROMANIA

Consultative Meeting Held

SK280432 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0358 GMT 28 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 28 (KCNA)--The 9th meeting of the Inter-governmental Economic and Scientific-Technical Consultative Committee of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea and the Romanian Socialist Republic was held on April 24 in Bucharest, according to a report.

Present at the meeting were the government delegations of the two countries headed respectively by Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae, chairman of the Korean side, and Deputy Prime Minister Paul Niculescu, [name as received], chairman of the Romanian side, to the committee.

The questions of expanding and developing economic and scientific-technical cooperation between the two countries were discussed at the meeting.

Economic-Scientific Protocol Signed

SK282232 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2201 GMT 28 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 29 (KCNA)--A protocol of the ninth meeting of the Inter-governmental Economic and Scientific-Technical Consultative Committee of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea and the Romanian Socialist Republic was signed in Bucharest on April 26, according to a report.

It was signed by Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae, chairman of the Korean side to the committee and the head of the government delegation of our country, and Vice-Premier Paul Niculescu, chairman of the Romanian side to the committee and the head of the Romanian Government delegation.

Attending the signing ceremony were the members of the Korean and Romanian delegations.

A protocol of the 8th meeting of the sub-committee for scientific-technological cooperation between the two governments was signed on the same day.

Ceausescu Receives Delegation

SK282231 Pyongyang KCNA in English 2209 GMT 28 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 29 (KCNA)--Nicolae Ceausescu, general secretary of the Romanian Communist Party and president of the Romanian Socialist Republic, on April 26 met Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae, head of the government delegation of our country who had attended the ninth meeting of the Inter-governmental Economic and Scientific-Technical Consultative Committee of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea and the Romanian Socialist Republic, according to a report.

The head of the delegation conveyed warm greetings and wishes of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song to President Nicolae Ceausescu.

The Romanian president expressed thanks for this and asked the head of the delegation to convey his cordial regards and best wishes to the great leader.

He expressed joy over the big successes of the Korean people in socialist construction and wished them greater, new successes with the sixth congress of the Workers Party of Korea approaching.

Referring to the friendly and cooperative relations between Romania and Korea, he reaffirmed full solidarity and strong support of the Romanian Party, government and people for the legitimate desire of the Korean people to reunify their country independently in a peaceful way and on a democratic principle.

The conversation took place in a friendly atmosphere.

Present on the occasion were Vice-Premier Paul Niculescu, chairman of the Romanian side to the committee, and the DPRK ambassador to Romania.

Government Delegation Returns

SK290358 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0335 GMT 29 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 29 (KCNA)--The government delegation of our country headed by Vice-Premier Kong Chin-tae returned home on April 28 by plane after attending the 9th meeting of the Inter-governmental Economic and Scientific-Technical Consultative Committee of the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea and the Romanian Socialist Republic which was held in Romania.

The delegation was met at the airport by Vice-Premier Kim Kyong-yon, and Chong Song-nam and other personages concerned.

Also on hand were Romanian Ambassador Paul Marinescu and Soviet Ambassador G. A. Kriulin to our country.

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DPRK DAILIES OBSERVE TOGO INDEPENDENCE DAY

SK270913 Pyongyang KCNA in English 0848 GMT 27 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 27 (KCNA)--Dailies here today dedicate editorial articles to the 20th anniversary of the independence of Togo.

A NODONG SINMUN article headlined "Congratulations to Togolese People on Their Holiday" says:

The independence of the country opened up a road for the Togolese people to build a new life. In particular, a great change has taken place in their life since President Gnassingbe Eyadema assumed power in 1967.

The Togolese people have registered many successes in their endeavours to build the national economy by fully tapping the natural resources of the country and develop national culture, believing in their own strength.

Pursuing the foreign policy of non-alignment, the Togolese Government actively struggles for the complete liberation of the African continent against imperialism, colonialism and racism and support the national liberation struggle of the tri-continental peoples.

The Korean people sincerely rejoice as over their own over the successes of the Togolese people in the struggle for the development and prosperity of the country and voice firm solidarity for their just struggle.

Referring to the daily developing and strengthening relations of friendship and cooperation between the Korean and Togolese peoples, the article says:

The Togolese Government and people always extend sincere support to our peoples just cause of the independent and peaceful reunification of the country. The Togolese Government widely demonstrated its dignity as an independent sovereign state by taking the decisive step of severing diplomatic relations with South Korea in 1974.

The Korean people who value the relations of friendship and cooperation with the Togolese people will in the future, too, as in the past, make positive efforts to further develop them in economy, culture and other fields.

A MINJU CHOSON article points out that the Korean people wish the Togolese people greater successes in their future struggle for achieving the independent development of the country and the prosperity of the nation.

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DPRK PAPERS OBSERVE INDEPENDENCE OF TANZANIA

SK261610 Pyongyang KCNA in English 1520 GMT 26 Apr 80

[Text] Pyongyang April 26 (KCNA)--NODONG SINMUN and MINJU CHOSON today dedicate articles to the 16th anniversary of the founding of the United Republic of Tanzania.

A signed article of NODONG SINMUN says: The founding of the United Republic of Tanzania through the union of Tanganyika and Zanzibar on April 26, 1964, was a new milestone in the history of the Tanzanian people and, since then, they have followed the road of unity and independence.

Noting that over the past 16 years since the foundation of the U.R.T. her people, under the correct leadership of President Julius K. Nyerere, have registered big successes in their struggle for the unified development of the country and the unity of the nation, smashing the ceaseless subversive manoeuvres of the imperialists, it says: Today the idea of the [words indistinct] reflecting the desire of the Tanzanian people to build their country into a rich, independent and sovereign state under the slogan of socialism and self-reliance is coming true in Tanzania.

The Tanzanian Government is making efforts for the development of friendly relations with the socialist countries and non-aligned countries and for the complete liberation of Africa and the development and strengthening of the non-aligned movement under the uplifted banner of independence and non-alignment.

The Korean people sincerely rejoice, as over their own, over the successes achieved by the Tanzanian people in the building of a new life and express firm solidarity for their just struggle.

Referring to the friendly and cooperative relations between the two countries, it says:

The Tanzanian Government and people highly appreciate the successes achieved by our people in the revolution and construction under the wise guidance of the great leader Comrade Kim Il-song and always extend sincere support to

our people in the struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

The Korean people who value the friendly and cooperative relations with the Tanzanian people will actively strive to further develop them in the future.

A signed article of JINJU CHOSON says: The Korean people hope the Tanzanian people advancing toward socialism under the banner of anti-imperialism and independence will score still greater success in their worthwhile struggle.

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